IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

Art Unit: 1617

BHATNAGAR ET AL.

Examiner: Javanmard, Sahar

APPLICATION NO: 10/521,928

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BISPHOSPHONATE

MS: After Final Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

NOTICE OF APPEAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The period for filing a Notice of Appeal has a shortened statutory time set to expire on August 13, 2008. A three-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$1110 for payment of the extension fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

Respectfully submitted,

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